

--26. A countertop ticket dispenser structure, said dispenser structure comprising:

- (a) a housing having side walls and a top wall, and a ticket dispensing ticket outlet;
- (b) a store checkout counter having a counter top with a customer side at which customers can stand, and clerk side at which a clerk can stand;
- (c) said top of said housing having a flat section at least as large as a typical bank check to enable a person to write a bank check on it;
- (d) said housing having a transparent front side wall portion through which said tickets can be seen and a rear side wall portion in which said outlet opening is located;
- (e) said housing being mounted on said countertop with said front side wall facing said customer side and said rear side wall portion facing said clerk side.

27. A dispenser structure as in Claim 26 including structure inside said housing for storing and holding said tickets so as to be visible through said front side wall, and for guiding said tickets towards said ticket outlet.

28. A dispenser structure as in Claim 26 in which said checkout countertop has an edge at said customer side, and a rail extending above said edge, and in which said front side wall extends over said rail closely adjacent said edge.

29. A dispenser structure as in Claim 26 in which said tickets are strip-form gaming tickets, a plurality of strips of said tickets being displayed side-by-side in said housing so as to be exposed to the view of the customer through said front side wall.

30. A dispenser structure as in Claim 26 in which said front side wall is hinged to open outwardly from said housing to permit access to the inside of said housing, and a hinged rear wall for said housing.

31. A dispenser structure as in Claim 29 including an outlet for each of said strips, each outlet being located near said top of said housing, including guide means for guiding the passage of said strips upwardly adjacent said transparent front side wall so as to display said ticket strips to said customers as they move towards said outlets.

32. A dispenser structure as in Claim 26 including electronic means, for indicating the number of tickets dispensed from said dispenser and storing said number in computer memory for use in accounting for ticket dispensing from said dispenser structure.--